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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(b) and 1.98**

Sir:

The information statement is being submitted pursuant to the obligation under 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97(b)(3) and 1.98. Provided herewith are an Information Disclosure Statement along with copies of one non-patent publications and five foreign patent documents as listed in the attached form PTO/SB/08a. As the present submission is being filed after the issuance of the first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that a fee of \$180.00 is required. Authorization is given to charge said fee to Deposit Account No. 12-2368.

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